# **General Application Requirements (FINAL)**

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| Ag | ency | / Info     | ormation                                      |         |                                   |        |      |  |
|    | (Cai | efully     | read the instructions before complet          | ing thi | is form)                          |        |      |  |
| 1. | Age  | ency       | Information                                   |         |                                   |        |      |  |
|    | a.   | Age        | ency Name                                     | ι       | JSFS - Six Rivers National        | Forest |      |  |
|    | b.   |            | ganizational Unit                             |         |                                   |        |      |  |
|    | C.   | Add        | dress   | 1       | 330 Bayshore Way                  |        |      |  |
|    | e.   | City       | y   | E       | Eureka                            | State  | СА   | Zip 95501                                      |
|    | f.   | Fed        | deral Id Number                               | 7       | 20564834                          | DUNS I | Nun  | nber   |
|    | g.   | Age<br>day | ency fiscal year (begining month a            | and (   | October-01                        |        |      |  |
|    | h.   | Age        | ency Type (Please check one)                  |         |                                   |        |      |  |
|    |      | C          | City  | C       | County                            |        | 0    | U.S. Forest Service                            |
|    |      | C          | U.S. Forest Service - Patrol District         | С       | U.S. Bureau of Land<br>Management |        | C    | Other Federal Agency                           |
|    |      | С          | Federally Recognized Native<br>American Tribe | С       | Educational Institution           |        | C    | Nonprofit Organization - 501(c)(3) status only |
|    |      | C          | State Agency                                  | C       | District                          |        |      |  |
| 2. | Pro  | ject       | Information                                   |         |                                   |        |      |  |
|    | a.   | Pro        | ject Name                                     | G       | eneral Application Require        | ements |      |  |
|    | b.   | ls ir      | mplementing agency same as Ag                 | ency    | (Please select Yes or No)         |        |      | Yes No   |
|    | c.   | Imp        | plementing Agency Name                        |         |                                   |        |      |  |
|    | d.   | Am         | ount of Funds Requested                       |         |                                   | Projec | t Co | ost  |
|    |      | Pro        | ject Request(s) Summary                       |         |                                   |        |      |  |
|    |      |            |   |         |                                   |        |      |  |
|    |      |            |   |         |                                   |        |      |  |

| # | Project Type | Project Title | Grant   | Match | Total Project |
|---|--------------|---------------|---------|-------|---------------|
|   |              |               | Request |       | Cost          |
|   |              |               |         |       |               |

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# Contact & Certification Information for Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program - 2009/2010 Agency: USFS - Six Rivers National Forest Application: General Application Requirements (FINAL)

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#### 3. Contact

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# **Location Map**

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A. Location Map

Attachments: SR General Location Map

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# **Equipment Inventory**

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# A. Equipment Inventory

Has your agency purchased any Equipment with OHV Trust Funds within the last five (5) Yes vears? (Please select Yes or No)

| # | Item Description | Make | Model | Model | Vehicle Identification | Project   |
|---|------------------|------|-------|-------|------------------------|-----------|
|   |                  |      |       | Year  | Number (VIN) or        | Agreement |
|   |                  |      |       |       | Serial Number          | Number    |
|   |                  |      |       |       |                        |           |

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# **Habitat Management Program (HMP)**

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## PART 1 - ITEM 1. DETERMINE THE NEED FOR FULL FULL HABITAT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (HMP)

All Applicants submitting Projects involving Ground Disturbing Activities are subject to HMP requirements. The HMP must cover the combined Project Area of all proposed Projects with Ground Disturbing Activities.

Applicants able to certify that none of the proposed activities listed in the Application in areas open to legal OHV Recreation contain any risk factors to special-status species and/or sensitive habitats shall submit only HMP Part 1. Applicants who cannot certify that the proposed activities listed in the Application in areas open to legal OHV Recreation do not contain any risk factors to special-status species and/or sensitive habitats shall submit HMP Parts 1 and 2.

| 1. | Do any of your proposed projects involve Ground Disturbing Activities? (Please select | Yes | CN |
|----|---|-----|----|
|    | Yes or No)  |     |    |

| 2. | Can the Applicant certify that none of the proposed Projects with Ground Disturbing         | C | Yes | 0 | No |
|----|---|---|-----|---|----|
|    | Activities in areas open to legal OHV Recreation contain any risk factors to special-status |   |     |   |    |
|    | species and/or sensitive habitats? (If you checked 'Yes', you are done with HMP)            |   |     |   |    |
|    | (Please select Yes or No)   |   |     |   |    |

#### PART 2 - RISK ANALYSIS, MANAGEMENT PROGRAM AND REPORTING

#### PART 2 - Section I. Summary of HMP Changes

Has the Applicant previously submitted a HMP Part 2 that is currently in use in the proposed Project Area? (Please select Yes or No)

#### **Table 1 - Summary of HMP Changes**

| Changes from Previous Year   | Section Where Change Occurs |
|--|-----------------------------|
| "No Changes" The HMP remains valid for those species listed within | N/A                         |
| the Pilot Creek OHV area.  |                             |

#### PART 2 - Section II - Special Status Species

Table 2 - Table of All Special-Status Species and Any Other Species of Local Concern That Were Considered for Inclusion in the HMP

| Species | Listing Status | Habitat | Addressed by<br>HMP? If not<br>explain why? |
|---------|----------------|---------|---|
|         |                |         |   |

PART 2 - Section III - Map(s) of Project Area

PART 2 - Section IV. - Management/Monitoring Program by Species and Sensitive Habitat

PART 2 - Section IV. - Management/Monitoring Program by Species and Sensitive Habitat - Table 3

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Table 3 - Data (Including Baseline Data) and Management Program for Species and/or Sensitive Habitats

| <br>Known<br>Information | Risks / | Manageme<br>nt<br>Objective(<br>s) | nt | Success<br>Criteria |
|--------------------------|---------|------------------------------------|----|---------------------|
|                          |         | 3)                                 |    |                     |

## PART 2 - Section IV. - Management/Monitoring Program by Species and Sensitive Habitat - Table 4

**Table 4: Summary of HMP Monitoring Program** 

| Species/Habitat | Methodology, Including | Identify Any Applicable Validation Monitoring (Focused Studies) |
|-----------------|------------------------|---|
|                 |                        |   |

## PART 2 - Section IV. - Management/Monitoring Program by Species and Sensitive Habitat - Table 5

Table 5. Management Review and Response; Adaptive Management

| 3, | Analyzed | Response to       | Who Will Plan<br>Management<br>Response |
|----|----------|-------------------|---|
|    |          | indianica inggere |   |

# PART 2 - Section V. - Previous Year's Monitoring Results and Management Actions Based on Monitoring Results

# PART 2 - Section V. - Previous Year's Monitoring Results and Management Actions Based on Monitoring Results - Table 6

**Table 6: Previous Year's Monitoring Results** 

| Monitoring<br>Accomplishments  | Results  | Were Objectives and Success Criteria Achieved?                        |
|--|--|---|
| Pacific Southwest Region OHV/OSV, Wildlife, and Plant Monitoring (for details on methodology, see pages 18-41 of the Monitoring Plan on file with the OHMVR Division). | In 2009, data were analyzed from Regional programmatic monitoring performed in association with the Vertebrate Assemblage Focused Study. Data were collected at randomly selected OHV Use and Non-Use Sites include: habitat condition (including forest composition and structure and ground cover); occurrence and status of wildlife & plant species (including special status plants, small mammals, landbirds, owls, accipiters, carnivores, and other vertebrates); and human use, | Data analyzed to date infer that success criteria have been achieved. |

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|   | including OHV use by type and   |  |
|---|---|--|
|   | frequency.  |  |
| Regional Marten Focused Study (for details on methodology, see the Study plan on file with the OHMVR Division).                           | The final report for the focused study was published in March 2007. The results show that marten occupancy, daily activity, gender ratio, or probability of detection did not change in relation to the presence or absence of motorized routes and OHV/OSV use when the routes (plus a 50 meter buffer) did not exceed about 20 percent of a 50 square kilometer area, and traffic did not exceed an average of one vehicle every 2 hours. The spatial and temporal frequencies of OHV/OSV were not perceived by marten as significant threats at the two study sites. | Results show that success criteria have been achieved.   |
| Regional Northern Goshawk Focused Study (for details on methodology, see the Study plan on file with the OHMVR Division).                 | In 2009, this study focused on finalizing data collect and beginning full data analysis of OHV/OSV effects including sound levels for northern goshawk on Plumas National Forest. Data have been collected on hawk behavior and reproductive success with paired OHV use and hiker experiments. Radio-tagged dispersing juveniles and foraging adults were tracked.   | Final data analysis began in 2008 and will be completed in 2010. Data analyzed to date infer that success criteria have been achieved. |
| Regional Vertebrate Assemblage Focused Study (for details on methodology, see the Study plan on file with the OHMVR Division).            | In 2009, this study focused on full data analysis of OHV effects on the Vertebrate Assemblage, including small mammal communities, landbird communities, mammalian carnivores, accipiters, and owls, in the montane forests of the central Sierra Nevada.   | Final data analysis will be completed in 2010.  Data analyzed to date infer that success criteria have been achieved.                  |
| Regional Northern Spotted<br>Owl Focused Study (for<br>details on methodology, see<br>the Study plan on file with<br>the OHMVR Division). | In 2009, this study focused on full data analysis of OHV effects on northern spotted owl behavior, reproductive success, and physiology (from fecal hormone analysis) on the Shasta-Trinity and Mendocino NFs.  | Final data analysis will be completed in 2010.   |
| In 2007 and 2008 first and second year Protocol surveys for Spotted Owls completed. Next protocol survey to be conducted in 2011.         | Based on survey protocol all historic activity centers are still active.  | Yes, owl activity centers still active.  |
| Monitoring of northern  | No visual detections of American  | Yes, no impacts to suitable habitat.   |

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| American Marten and Pacific Fisher consists of documenting any visual observations within the Pilot Creek area. All sightings will be reported to the District Wildlife Biologist. Pacific Southwest Research Station began conducting a study in summer of 2005 and continued the study in 2006. The study includes the Pilot Creek area. | Marten and Pacific Fisher were recorded in the Pilot Creek area during the 2009 OHV monitoring activities. In 2005 and 2006 PSW surveys did not detect northern American Marten. Surveys included visiting know Pacific Fisher rest sites. Several detections of Pacific Fisher occurred through survey period. A report is pending completion of publication.  |   |
|--|---|---|
| Monitoring of northern goshawk consists of documenting any visual observations, including any noticeable changes in their behavior in correlation to noise from vehicle traffic within the Pilot Creek area. All sightings were reported to the District Wildlife Biologist.   | No visual detections of goshawks were recorded in the Pilot Creek area during 2000 through 2009 OHV monitoring activities.  | Yes, no impacts to suitable habitat.  |
| Monitoring of foothill yellow-<br>legged and northern red-<br>legged frog, and southern<br>torrent salamanders within<br>the Pilot Creek area,<br>consisted of documenting<br>any visual observations of<br>adults or juveniles. All<br>sightings were reported to<br>the District Wildlife Biologist.                                     | No visual detections of foothill yellow-legged frog, northern red-legged frogs or southern torrent salamanders were recorded in the Pilot Creek area during 2000 through 2009 OHV monitoring activities.  | Yes, no impacts to suitable habitat.  |
| Monitoring of tailed frogs consisted of documenting any visual observations of adults or juveniles within the Pilot Creek area, especially in East Creek where this species is known to occur. All sightings were reported to the District Wildlife Biologist.   | Tailed frog was detected in East Creek during 2002 OHV monitoring activities. A seasonal plank boardwalk is put in place annually on East Creek beginning in 2004 and appears to be functioning properly. Risks to tailed frog have been substantially lessened with this mitigation. No visual detections of tailed frogs were recorded in the Pilot Creek area during the 2009 OHV monitoring activities. | Yes, plank boardwalk was built and is seasonally placed up stream from where frog was detected, no mortality or impacts to suitable habitat.          |
| Monitoring of stream crossings for impacts to steelhead within the Pilot Creek area.   | OHV use was not effectively limited or restricted to designated routes. In 2009 OHV monitoring activities confirmed off-route use occurred off of FS Roads 2N17, 3N10, and 6N01, Jeep Trail 5E25, and Trail 5E43. Off-trail impacts were not  | Off-route use occurred but not associated with stream crossings. No widening of designated stream crossings or loss of riparian species is occurring. |

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|                              | associated with stream crossings. No widening of designated stream crossings occurred, or pools formed. Riparian vegetation at stream crossings was maintained and no increase in sedimentation downstream occurred. |  |
|------------------------------|--|--|
| Monitor trails and roads to  | OHV use was not effectively limited  | Off-route use occurred but not within areas  |
| determine if any             | or restricted to designated routes.  | occupied by Tracy's sanicle, Clustered Green |
| unauthorized off route use   | In 2009 OHV monitoring activities  | Gentian, and Lupinus elmeri and did not      |
| has impacted Tracy's         | confirmed off-route use occurred   | caused a 20% decline in populations.         |
| sanicle, Clustered Green     | off of FS Roads 2N17, 3N10, and  |  |
| Gentian, and Lupinus elmeri  | 6N01, Jeep Trail 5E25, and Trail   |  |
| within the Pilot Creek area, | 5E43. Off-route impacts did not  |  |
| and if noxious weeds are     | occur within reserve sites identified  |  |
| impacting sensitive plant    | in the Tracy's sanicle Conservation  |  |
| habitat. Occurrences of off  | Strategy or within Clustered Green   |  |
| route use were reported to   | Gentian and Lupinus elmeri   |  |
| the Botanist.                | habitat. Continue monitoring, sign,  |  |
|                              | and increase patrol regarding off-   |  |
|                              | route use.   |  |

PART 2 - Section V. - Previous Year's Monitoring Results and Management Actions Based on Monitoring Results - Table 7

**Table 7: Management Actions Based on Monitoring Results** 

| Management Actions   | Species/ Habitat  | Date Completed<br>or Planned -<br>mm/dd/yyyy | Changes Needed to HMP   |
|--|---|--|---|
| None   | Northern Spotted Owl  | 11/30/2009                                   | None  |
| None   | Northern Goshawk  | 11/30/2009                                   | None  |
| None   | Pacific Fisher  | 11/30/2009                                   | None  |
| None   | American Marten   | 11/30/2009                                   | None  |
| None   | Foothill Yellow-legged<br>Frog                                    | 11/30/2009                                   | None  |
| None   | Northern Red-legged<br>Frog                                       | 11/30/2009                                   | None  |
| None   | Southern Torrent Salamander                                       | 11/30/2009                                   | None  |
| None   | Tailed Frog   | 11/30/2009                                   | None  |
| None   | Steelhead trout   | 11/30/2009                                   | None  |
| None   | Tracy's Sanicle   | 11/30/2009                                   | None  |
| None   | Clustered Green<br>Gentian  | 11/30/2009                                   | None  |
| None   | Lupinus elmeri  | 11/30/2009                                   | None  |
| Complete regional focused wildlife studies on goshawk, spotted | All Species: Pacific<br>Southwest Region<br>OHV/OSV, Wildlife and | 12/31/2010                                   | No needed changes yet. With final data analysis and reports, changes may be warranted then. |

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| owl, and their prey;      | Plant Monitoring |  |
|---------------------------|------------------|--|
| including data analysis   |                  |  |
| and final report writing. |                  |  |
| Implement findings into   |                  |  |
| recreation and wildlife   |                  |  |
| management plans and      |                  |  |
| projects.                 |                  |  |

PART 2 - Section V. - Previous Year's Monitoring Results and Management Actions Based on Monitoring Results - Table 8

Table 8 Management Actions Taken in Response to HMP-related Public Concerns

| Concern Raised by Public           | Actions Taken to Address the Concern                                     |
|------------------------------------|--|
| Concern regarding effects of OHV   | Regional development and implementation of scientific studies focused on |
| and OSV on American marten,        | these concerns.  |
| northern goshawk, spotted owl, and |  |
| their prey species.                |  |

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# **Soil Conservation**

# A. Soil Conservation

a. Do any of your proposed projects involve Ground Disturbing Activities? (Please select Yes No Yes or No)

# B. Soil Conservation Plan

Attachments:

Soil Conservation Plan for Pacific Southwest Region, FS (Six Rivers NF)

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| Α. | Public Notification Efforts                 |                      |                            |  |
|    | Check all that apply: (Please select applic | cable values)        |                            |  |
|    | ✓ Notice to interested Parties/Groups       | (Enter date in mm/dd | /yyyy format) [03/01/2010] |  |
|    | Published on Applicant's Website (E         | nter date in mm/dd/y | yyy format) [03/01/2010]   |  |
|    | Published in Newspaper                      |                      |                            |  |
|    | ☐ News Release Issued                       |                      |                            |  |

#### B. Public Comments

Public Meeting(s) Hearing(s) Held

Public notice on the Six Rivers NF 2009-2010 proposed Ground Operations Cooperative Agreement application was placed on the Six Rivers Website and a notification letter sent to 45 interested individuals, organizations, landowners, businesses, and tribes requesting comments, and informing them of the OHMVR Division's website public review and comment process.

One comment was received, addressed to the Region, from a concerned OHV enthusiast and member of CORVA regarding differences between the OHV visitor use numbers used in Travel Management Planning and the Forests' cooperative agreement applications. In the Lower Trinity and Mad River Motorized Travel Management Environmental Impact Statement, dated February 2010, the Six Rivers National Forest identified from the 2003 National Visitor Use Monitoring results a total OHV visitation number of 13,687 when the primary motorized uses (OHV use, driving for pleasure and other motorized activities) were combined. In this application the Forest used the DRAFT FY 08 National Visitor Use Monitoring results, but in addition to the primary motorized uses, the activities of primitive camping, viewing wildlife and natural features, hunting, and gathering forest products were also included. In addition, a portion (1/3) of relaxing, and hiking or walking was used in the OHV visitation estimate of 118,879. This is due to the fact that most recreationists utilize roads and trails managed for OHV use to access these additional recreational activities.

The Forest received three comments including: (1) Ed Waldheim "OHV activist for access to public lands for all" would like to see no more than 5% of the grant request going toward management under Ground Operation. Plus, every single grantee should be preaching "Stay on Designated Trail", (2) Brendan Hathaway is opposed to providing OHV money to the USFS to close the trails as she has seen in the "Route Designation" process, and (3) Casey Crandall requests not giving any state money to a federal agency to close public lands.

The individuals concern to see no more than 5% of the grant request going toward management was appreciated but believed to not take into account the cost of monitoring associated with a well managed trail system. Also, under the Forest's Ground Operation funding request, most of the matching funds identified for staff would be slated for managing the executed cooperative agreement.

The other two individuals' concern with closing trails and public lands were believed to be referring to the Travel Management ("Route Designation") process. The national Travel Management Rule (Subpart B) requires the prohibition of cross-country travel and designating a system of roads and trails open for public wheeled motor vehicle use, not to close trails and public lands.

## C. Application Development as a result of Public Comments

- a. Were changes mades to the Application as a result of public comments? (Please select Yes No Yes or No)
- b. Describe how public comments affected the Application

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## Certifications

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#### 1. Applicant Certifications

#### A. General Conditions

- A. The Applicant hereby certifies, under the penalty of perjury, compliance with the following terms and conditions:
- If the Project involves a Ground Disturbing Activity, the Applicant agrees to monitor the condition of soils and wildlife
  in the Project Area each year in order to determine whether the soil conservation standard adopted pursuant to
  Public Resource Code (PRC), Section 5090.35 and the HMP prepared pursuant to Section 5090.53(a) are being
  met
- 2. If the Project involves a Ground Disturbing Activity, the Applicant agrees that, whenever the soil conservation standard adopted pursuant to PRC Section 5090.35 is not being met in any portion of a Project Area, the recipient shall close temporarily that noncompliant portion, to repair and prevent accelerated erosion, until the same soil conservation standard adopted pursuant to PRC Section 5090.35 is met.
- 3. If the Project involves a Ground Disturbing Activity, the Applicant agrees that, whenever the HMP prepared pursuant to PRC Section 5090.53(a) is not being met in any portion of a Project Area, the recipient shall close temporarily that noncompliant portion until the same HMP prepared pursuant to PRC Section 5090.53(a) is met.
- 4. The Applicant agrees to enforce the registration of off-highway motor vehicles and the other provisions of Division 16.5 (commencing with Section 38000) of the Vehicle Code and to enforce the other applicable laws regarding the operation of off-highway motor vehicles.
- 5. The Applicant agrees to cooperate with appropriate law enforcement entities to provide proper law enforcement at and around the Facility.
- 6. The Applicant's Project is in accordance with local or federal plans and the strategic plan for OHV Recreation prepared by the OHMVR Division.

#### **B. Programmatic Conditions**

- B. The Applicant must describe the following programmatic conditions:
- 1. Identify the potential for the facility to reduce illegal and unauthorized OHV Recreation activities in the surrounding

The Six Rivers National Forest Plan allows Off-Highway Vehicle (OHV) travel on designated routes only; there are no open areas available for OHV use.

The designated Pilot Creek trail system provides a remote and non-crowded shared use experience within a wide degree of diversity in vegetation types and elevation ranges. Currently, there are 23 miles of motorized trail with varying difficulty levels available for use. Also, in order to provide loop routes and access to adjacent public lands, 41 miles of existing system roads are available for recreational use within the area. Management efforts to date have allowed the OHV trail opportunities to be sustained with planned expansion.

Since implementing the Pilot Creek Trail Strategy monitoring has indicated that even though not completely eliminated, unauthorized use in the area has been minimized. Also, it is believed to be discouraging unauthorized use elsewhere on the District by providing a well maintained and identifiable trail system.

2. Describe how the Applicant is meeting the operations and maintenance needs of any existing OHV Recreation Facility under its jurisdiction:

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Since 2000, supplemental State OHV funding has greatly assisted in covering the cost of implementing the Pilot Creek Trail Use Strategy resulting in large capital investments with emphasis on OHV trail maintenance, conservation, and restoration needs.

Management efforts to date have allowed OHV trail opportunities in the Pilot Creek area to be sustained with planned expansion to meet the increasing demands primarily for the casual rider.

In order to meet the operations and maintenance needs and avoid and even reduce future costs associated with the Pilot Creek trail system the District has and will continue to utilize on-site materials to construct many of the design features during its implementation and continued maintenance, contributed support by Forest Service staff, highly trained, well-equipped California Conservation Corps (CCC) workforce including their 25% match and contributed labor, volunteers, and consistent supplemental funding from the OHMVR Division in order to enable sustained use.

#### C. Fee Collection

Describe how fees collected pursuant to Section 38230 of the Vehicle Code (in-lieu funds) are utilized and whether the fees complement the Applicant's proposed Project:

# D. Compliance with PRC 5090.50(b)(1)(C)

| Projects within the O&M category that affect lands identified as inventoried roadless | 0 | Yes | C | No |
|---|---|-----|---|----|
| areas by the U.S. Forest Service, are compliant with PRC 5090.50(b)(1)(C). (Please    |   |     |   |    |
| select Yes or No)   |   |     |   |    |

# 2. Governing Body Resolution

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Certification - Non Profits / Education for Grants and Cooperative Agreements Program - 2009/2010
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1. Written Agreement with Land Manager

2. Verification of Nonprofit 501(c)(3) Status

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| Eval | Evaluation Criteria   |       |  |  |  |
|------|---|-------|--|--|--|
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| 1.   | OHV Visitor Opportunity Summary   |       |  |  |  |
| 1 OH | HV Visitor Opportunity Summary  |       |  |  |  |
| a.   | Does the land manager agency provide legal OHV riding opportunity? (Please select Yes or No)  | )     |  |  |  |
|      | Starting (Month/Year) 10-2007 Ending (Month/Year) 09-2008   |       |  |  |  |
| b.   | Off-Highway Vehicle Opportunity Ratio (OHV Ratio) opportunity   |       |  |  |  |
| i.   | Months of OHV Opportunity (OHV Months) 12   |       |  |  |  |
| ii.  | i. Total Miles Of Routes Available For OHV Recreation 1405  |       |  |  |  |
| iii  | ii. Total Acres Of Open Riding Available For OHV Recreation 0   |       |  |  |  |
| iv   | v. OHV Visitation (visitor days) 118879   |       |  |  |  |
| V.   | / Ratio of OHV Visitation/OHV Opportunity 84.61   |       |  |  |  |
| 1 OH | HV Visitor Opportunity Summary (2)  |       |  |  |  |
| C.   | Reference Document that support the responses to a. and b. on previous page   |       |  |  |  |
|      | a. National INFRAstructure Database   |       |  |  |  |
|      | b. DRAFT FY 08 National Visitor Use Monitoring  |       |  |  |  |
| d.   | d. Visitor Opportunity Ratio (V/O Ratio) = OHV Ratio x OHV Months / 12 84.61  |       |  |  |  |
|      | Visitor Opportunity Ratio (V/O Ratio) Score   |       |  |  |  |
| 2.   | Quality of OHV Opportunity  |       |  |  |  |
|      | Land Manager's OHV program 8  |       |  |  |  |
|      | Check all that apply (Please select applicable values)  |       |  |  |  |
|      | ☑ Map with OHV Recreation opportunities clearly shown is available for distribution at no cost (2 points)   |       |  |  |  |
|      | Map with OHV Recreation opportunities clearly shown is available on the Land Manager's website (2 po  | ints) |  |  |  |
|      | Map indicates relative difficulty of each OHV trail (2 points)  |       |  |  |  |
|      | Map indicates appropriate OHV use type (ATV, dirt bike, 4x4, OSV, etc.) (2 points)  | hada  |  |  |  |
|      | At least fifty percent of the staging areas include support facilities (restrooms, picnic tables, trash cans, s structures) (2 points)                                  | naue  |  |  |  |
|      | Majority of trail intersections are signed with information such as: trail names, directional signs, relative difficulty, mileage to next feature (2 points)            |       |  |  |  |
| 3.   | Variety of OHV Opportunity  |       |  |  |  |
| a.   | <ul> <li>Skill levels (e.g., beginner, intermediate, advanced) indicated by publicly available maps or signage<br/>marking trails with relative difficulty 5</li> </ul> |       |  |  |  |
|      | (Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)  |       |  |  |  |

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2 skill levels (3 points)

(No points)

Land Manager has no legal OHV riding opportunity

3 or more skill levels (5 points)

1 skill level (1 point)

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b. Type of OHV Opportunity (ATV, dirt bike, 4x4, OSV, RUV, Sand Rail/Dune Buggy) 6 (Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list) © Opportunities for 3 or more vehicle types (6 points) C Opportunities for 2 vehicle types (3 points) Opportunity for only 1 vehicle type (1 point) Land Manager has no legal OHV riding opportunity (No points) **Agency Contribution** Is the cost of OHV Program for Land Manager's most recent complete fiscal year (not to response). C No include Indirect Costs) greater than \$0?. If NO, then No points. Go to item #5. (Please select Yes or No) If YES, enter cost of OHV Program for Land Manager's most recent complete fiscal year (not to include Indirect Costs): 732146 % Funded by OHV Trust Fund (do not include in-lieu funds): 1 (Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list) No OHV Trust Funds were used (6 points) 10% or less of the program cost was from OHV Trust Fund (4 points) 11% to 25% of the program cost was from OHV Trust Fund (3 points) 26% to 50% of the program cost was from OHV Trust Fund (1 point) More than 50% of the program cost was from OHV Trust Fund (No points) Reference Document Six Rivers National Forest FY 2009 Workplans. FY 09 CCC Agreement (FS funded motorized trail maintenance). Financial documentation and work logs from Participating "WYDEN" Agreement b/t USFS, Six Rivers NF & The Yurok Tribe and the Participating "WYDEN" Agreement b/t USFS, Six Rivers NF & The Karuk Tribe of California associated with the USFS Six Rivers NF Restoration Cooperative Agreement G07-02-18-R01. **Project Performance** For Applicant's OHV grant Projects which reached the end of the Project performance period within the last two years, the percentage of all deliverables accomplished 5 (Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list) 100% of Deliverable accomplished (5 points) 75% to 99% of Deliverables accomplished (3 points) Less than 75% of Deliverables accomplished (No points) First time Applicants and past Applicants with no active Grant projects within the last two years (2 points) **Previous Year Performance** In the previous year the Applicant has been responsive and communicated effectively with the assigned OHMVR Grant Administrator by phone, email or personal visit. 3 FOR DIVISION USE ONLY (Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list) In the previous year the Applicant has been responsive and communicated effectively with the assigned OHMVR Grant Administrator by phone, email or personal visit (3 points) First time Applicants and past Applicants with no active Grant projects within the last two years (2 points)

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In the previous year the Applicant has not been responsive (No points)

#### 7. Prevention of OHV trespass

#### 7. Prevention of OHV trespass - Fence (Page 1)

a. Is site a completely fenced facility such that OHV trespass into neighboring properties and/or closed areas is prevented?
 (Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)
 No (answer items b and c)
 Yes (10 points, explain and then skip to item 8)

Explain 'Yes' response:

#### 7. Prevention of OHV trespass - Patrol (Page 2)

| b. | The majority of OHV Opportunity areas are patrolled (Check the one most appropriate) | 5 |
|----|--|---|
|    | (Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)                       |   |
|    | At least 5 days per week (5 points)  |   |
|    | At least once per week (3 points)  |   |
|    | At least once per month (1 point)  |   |
|    | C Less than once per month (No points)   |   |

Explain patrol efforts (e.g., frequency of patrol, patrol personnel, percent of lands covered by patrols)

Law enforcement patrols associated with the conformance of all applicable State and Federal laws and regulations,

and consistant with management objectives for the protection of forest resources and property primarily occur across the Forest on a daily basis throught the year. Areas of OHV opportunity and areas susceptible to adverse impacts resultant of illegal OHV use are targeted for aggressive patrol and enforcement efforts. This patrol is achieved by the District Law Enforcement Officers and Forest Protection Officers.

Specific areas of OHV enforcement emphasis are as follows:

VEHICLE REGISTRATION, EQUIPMENT AND OPERATION

VEHICLES PROHIBITED OFF ROADS AND DESIGNATED TRAILS

VEHICLE TRESSPASS INTO DESIGNATED WILDERNESS

PROTECTION OF SEASONAL WILDLIFE HABITAT CLOSURE AREAS

PROTECTION OF SENSITIVE/THREATENED PLANT AND ANIMAL SPECIES AND THEIR HABITAT

SEASONAL ROAD AND AREA CLOSURES

PUBLIC AND PRIVATE LANDS INTERFACE

**DEVELOPED RECREATION** 

#### 7. Prevention of OHV trespass - Measures (Page 3)

c. Measures to prevent OHV trespass into neighboring properties and/or closed areas 5

(Check all that apply) (Please select applicable values)

- ☑ Barriers and/or signing are used to prevent OHV trespass into neighboring properties and/or closed areas (3 points)
- Education programs, maps and/or brochures provided to the public address OHV trespass, including respect for private property (2 points)

Explain measures utilized to prevent OHV trespass into neighboring properties and/or closed areas

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Forest regulations and policy both restrict operation of motor vhicles, including off-highway vehicles, to designated routes (roads and trails) only.

Areas susceptible to adverse impacts resultant of illegal OHV use are targeted for aggressive patrol and enforcement efforts. Some of these efforts include education, signing, and blocking unauthorized routes leaving roads and trails.

Some examples of these efforts include user education programs such as TREAD LIGHTLY and RIGHT RIDER, three past cooperative agreements funded by the State for boulder placement on the Forest, and monitoring efforts essential in the detection of intrusion into sensitive areas, private property, and designated wilderness.

The Forest's two northern Districts have produced a Motorized Visitor Use Map illustrating were motorized use is allowed. Completion of the Travel Management process is underway for the Forest's two remaining southern Districts which will help prevent OHV trespass and prohibit cross-country travel

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4-17 times per year (1 points)

Describe Land Manager's onsite education efforts relative to items a. - d.:

|     | Districts which will help provent of the troops and provin   | on order dealthy travel.   |
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|     | OHV Education  |  |
| ЭΗ\ | / Education - Page 1   |  |
| a.  | Education materials available onsite 10  |  |
|     | (Check all that apply) (Please select applicable values)   |  |
|     | ▼ Free literature is provided to visitors describing safe  | and responsible OHV recreational practices (5 points)  |
|     | Bulletin boards, signs or kiosks, at the majority of st<br>gathers provide information concerning safe and res     | aging areas, trailheads, or other areas where the public sponsible OHV Recreation (5 points) |
| b.  | Applicant or Land Manager provides formal programs, ed public to educate them on safe and responsible OHV red      | • •  |
|     | (Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from   | m list)  |
|     | 50 or more per year (3 points)   | 20 to 49 times per year (2 points)   |
|     | © 5 to 19 times per year (1 point)   | C Less than 5 times per year (No points)   |
| ОН  | V Education - Page 2   |  |
| c.  | When Facility is open, staff are available at trailheads, visprovide information on safe and responsible OHV use 5 |  |
|     | (Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from   | m list)  |
|     | Daily (5 points)   | On all weekends (4 points)   |
|     | On the majority of weekends (2 points)   | C On major holidays (1 points)   |
|     | None of the above (No points)  |  |
| d.  | ATV Safety Institute and/or Motorcycle Safety Foundation the public: 0   | n approved training courses are provided to  |
|     | (Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from   | m list)  |
|     | At least 30 times per year (5 points)  | C 18-29 times per year (3 points)  |

Less than 4 times per year (No points)

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In general, forest-wide, OHV recreation is primarily a dispersed type activity, occurring in association with other recreational pursuits. The emphasis of public education regarding OHVs is to promote safe and responsible use in conformance with applicable laws and regulations, and consistent with management objectives for protection of forest resources and property.

The Forest is staffed by knowledgeable personnel to answer or provide the public with their OHV questions and/or requests. This includes the distribution of maps, brouchures' (Tread Lightly and Right Rider), regulations and other useful information. Personnel, including law enforcement, are available in the field to provide information as well. Personnel staff booths at fairs, community events, and speak at various types of meetings concerning OHV activities. The Forest uses Bulletin Boards, signs, and other media to inform the public about OHV use, news, or concerns.

Forest staff provides ATV Safety Courses to agency personnel only.

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| ,              | Website  |                      |                     |                                       |
| a.             | OHV outreach efforts are accomplished through the Land Manager's website 0   |                      |                     | 0                                     |
|                | (Check the one most appropriate) (Plea   | ase select one from  | n list)             |                                       |
|                | No (skip to question 10)   |                      | Yes (provide U      | RL address and answer item b)         |
|                | Provide URL address http://www.fs.fe   | d.us/r5/sixrivers/   |                     |                                       |
| b.             | The Land Manager's website contains  | the following items  | 5                   |                                       |
|                | (Check all that apply) - Scoring: 1 point  | each up to a maxir   | num of 5 points. (F | Please select applicable values)      |
|                | ✓ Map to location  |                      | tion                | ☑ Safety information                  |
|                | ▼ Visitor facilities   | Contact information  | ation               | ✓ News releases                       |
|                | Information on responsible riding  | Map of Facilitie     | es                  | ▼ Fee schedule                        |
|                | Seasonal restrictions  | Link to Division     | Website             | ✓ Law enforcement contact information |
| (              | OHV Outreach   |                      |                     |                                       |
|                | Check all forms of OHV outreach the A  | pplicant utilizes: 3 | 3                   |                                       |
|                | Scoring: 1 point each up to a maximum of 3 points. (Please select applicable values)   |                      |                     |                                       |
|                |  |                      | CDs and/or DV       | Ds                                    |
|                | ▼ Community meetings   |                      | OHV dealers         |                                       |
| <b>▽</b> Fairs |  |                      | ▼ News releases     |                                       |
|                | ▼ Other (specify) [Public contact and  | d volunteers]        | ▼ Television        |                                       |
|                | ☐ Parades  |                      | ▼ Radio             |                                       |
|                | Programs at schools  |                      |                     |                                       |
| ı              | Natural and Cultural Resources   |                      |                     |                                       |

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#### 11. Natural and Cultural Resources - Page 1

| a. | Is the Land Manager's OHV area a comple 0 | tely fenced track facility with little or no native vegetation? |
|----|---|---|
|    | (Check the one most appropriate) (Please  | select one from list)   |
|    | No (answer item b)                        | Yes (5 points, explain and then skip to item 12)                |
|    | Explain 'Yes' response                    |   |

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#### 11. Natural and Cultural Resources - Page 2

b. Resource Management Information System 5

Does the Land Manager maintain a management information system managed by qualified environmental staff that identifies and monitors the impacts of the OHV activity and contains at least the following:

- · Ongoing survey/inventory of species
- · Ongoing survey/inventory of archeological sites
- · Biological monitoring that measures changes in populations
- Components that evaluate the effects of OHV recreation and related activity on the species;
- · Recommendations for improvement in species management
- Strategies to respond to changing conditions that affect the survival or reproduction of species? (Please select one from list)

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| NO. |         | points) |
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Yes (5 points)

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Reference Document

Best Management Practices (BMP), as outlined under the Forest Service Region Five Master Agreement with the State Water Quality Control Board.

State required Soil Conservation Program and Wildlife Habitat Protection Program (WHPP) / Habitat Management Program (HMP) identified within the 2008 - 2009 Six River National Forest Cooperative Agreement Application.

#### 12. Soil Management

# 12. Soil Management - Page 1

| 50  | II Management - Page 1  |   |
|---|---|---|
| a.  | <ul> <li>Land Manager has developed a systematic methodology for evaluating soil conditions of its</li> <li>Opportunities? 5</li> </ul> |   |
|   | (Check the one most appropriate)  | (Please select one from list)   |
|   | No (No points)  | Yes (5 points)  |
|   | Explain 'Yes' response Soil Cons<br>monitoring, and actions required (  | ervation Program which includes a soil condition assessment, e.g. maintenance). |
| b. Land Manager has developed methods to address soil issues? 5 |   | hods to address soil issues? 5  |
|   | (Check the one most appropriate)  No (No points)  | (Please select one from list)  • Yes (5 points)                                 |
|   | Explain 'Yes' response When mo  | nitoring identifies unfavorable soil condition ratings, appropriate             |

actions are taken in order to repair, restore or mitigate the problem. This is done in conjunction with the Red/Yellow/Green condition forms.

# 12. Soil Management - Page 2

C. Land Manager performs soil monitoring 3

(Check the one most appropriate) (Please select one from list)

Monthly (3 points)

After major rain events (2 points)

Annually (No points)

#### 13. Sound Level Testing

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The Applicant or Land Manager conducts, or causes to be conducted, sound level testing 0

(Check only one if applicable) (Please select one from list)

- On most (50% or more) holidays and weekends (4 points)
- At least 25% but less than 50% of holidays and weekends (2 points)
- Less than 25% of holidays and weekends (No points)

#### Describe the sound testing program

Law enforcement personnel have indicated that non-compliance of the State's sound level standards is not a large problem on the Forest. Most OHV enthusiasts visiting the Forest operate newer non-modified equipment. However, the Forest's law enforcement personnel are capable of and do conduct sound level tests.

Most of the Forest's OHV use occurs on the Mad River Ranger District which has a sound meter to assist in OHV sound enforcement. On occasion the Forest receives inquires as to where an individual can have a sound test performed. Depending on their location (e.g. local coastal communities) and for their convenience the Forest will direct them to the BLM Arcata Field Office to have the test performed. This saves the rider time and cost plus ensures the vehicle will be in conformance when they visit the Forest.

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